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MEDICIS PHARMACEUTICAL CORP Form 8-K January 12, 2011

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 January 10, 2011

> Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) Medicis Pharmaceutical Corporation

> (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-14471 52-1574808

(State of Incorporation) (Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

7720 North Dobson Road Scottsdale, Arizona 85256

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(602) 808-8800

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

The Company Amends its Complaint against Lupin Ltd.

On January 10, 2011, Medicis Pharmaceutical Corporation (the Company) amended its complaint against Lupin Ltd. (Lupin) in the United States District Court for the District of Maryland seeking an adjudication that Lupin has infringed one or more claims of the Company s U.S. Patent Nos. 5,908,838 and 7,790,705 by filing a supplement or amendment to its earlier filed Abbreviated New Drug Application (ANDA) assigned ANDA number 91-424 with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for generic versions of SOLODYN® (minocycline HCl, USP) Extended Release Tablets in 55mg and 80mg strengths.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Medicis Pharmaceutical Corporation

Date: January 12, 2011 By: /s/ Seth L. Rodner

Seth L. Rodner

Senior Vice President, General Counsel

and Corporate Secretary